

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending, with claims 1-4, 6, and 7 being independent. Claims 1-4, 6, 7, and 9-12 have been amended and claims 14-17 has been added. Support for the amendments and the new claims can be found in the originally-filed specification, at least at page 6, line 22 to page 7, line 1 and Figs. 1B and 1C. No new matter has been introduced.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 2-4 and 6-13.

Independent claim 1 recites a display device including a light-emitting device having a plurality of pixels, an optical system provided at one side of the light-emitting device, and a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through the light-emitting device. The light-emitting element is provided in each of the plurality of pixels. Two electrodes of the light-emitting element both have translucency. Moreover, the optical system makes light emitted from one of two adjacent pixels of the plurality of pixels incident into a left eye of a viewer and makes light emitted from the other incident into a right eye of the viewer by controlling a traveling direction of light emitted from the plurality of pixels.

Claims 1 and 5 have been rejected as being unpatentable over applicant's admitted prior art in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,599,767 (Li) and U.S. Patent No. 7,151,217 (Forrest). Applicant requests withdrawal of this rejection because neither the admitted prior art, Li, Forrest, nor any proper combination of these three references describes or suggests a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through a light-emitting device, as recited in independent claim 1.

The admitted prior art describes a liquid crystal panel 1401 and a parallax barrier 1403 having apertures 1402. See the specification at page 2, lines 7-21 and Figs. 15 and 16. A light guiding plate 1404 is provided at a side of the liquid crystal panel 1401 and light from a light source 1405 travels in the light guiding plate 1404 and irradiates the liquid crystal panel 1401. See the specification at page 2, lines 19-22 and Figs. 15 and 16. However, the admitted prior art fails to describe or suggest a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through a light-emitting device, as recited in claim 1.

Li relates to an organic light emitting diode (OLED) including organic layers sandwiched between a transparent anode 14 and a metal cathode 24. See Li at col. 1, lines 24-29. However,

Li never describes a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through the OLED. For at least this reason, any combination of the admitted prior art and Li would still fail to describe or suggest a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through a light-emitting device, as recited in claim 1.

Forrest relates to an organic photosensitive optoelectronic device having a device structure 300 deposited onto an insulating substrate 301. See Forrest at col. 18, lines 1-5 and Fig. 3. Forrest's organic photosensitive optoelectronic device can be, for example, a solar cell or a photodetector. However, Forrest never describes a shield means that can shield light to be transmitted through a light-emitting device.

Accordingly, claims 1 and 5 are allowable over any proper combination of the admitted prior art, Li, and Forrest.

New claim 14 depends from claim 7, and is allowable for at least the reasons that claim 7 is allowable.

New claims 15-17 depend from claim 1, and are allowable for at least the reasons that claim 1 is allowable, and for containing allowable subject matter in their own right. For example, claim 16 recites that the shield means can be at either side of the light-emitting device. None of the cited references describes or suggests such a shield means.

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In conclusion, applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests a notice to that effect. It is believed that no fee is due. Nevertheless, please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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